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BLM Fishermen's Bend Recreation Site Turns 50! Come celebrate August 1-3, 2014

Salem, Ore.— The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Fishermen's Bend Recreation Site (Fish Bend), two miles west of Mill City, is celebrating 50 years of providing family friendly camping to generations of campers. Activities celebrating the event include:

Friday, August 1:

9:00 pm -- "What's Around The Bend"

Interpretive video of the recreational opportunities at Fish. Bend.

Saturday, August 2:

2:00 pm -- Annual Water Fight at the Cottonwoods Ball Field

8:00 pm -- History of Fish Bend/Santiam Canyon by long-time Fish Bend Manager J. Grant.

Sunday, August 3:

10:00-2:00 pm—Classic Car Cruise at the Firs Group Site.

"Help us celebrate 50 years with a CAR CRUISE at Fishermen's Bend!" says Fish Bend Assistant Manager Josh Rada. "Cruise through and show off your "HOT" Car... old, new, fancy, original, we want to see what you've got. Join us for a picnic lunch at the Firs Group Site.

Built in 1964, Fishermen's Bend Recreation Site has hosted thousands of campers over the years. A popular site for reunions, families come back to Fish Bend year after year. "When I arrived at the park in 1978, the fee to camp overnight was \$3," said long-time manager Jay Grant. "The first campground host joined us in 1981. Volunteers have made a huge difference in how well we can serve the public and take care of the park," said Grant.

"Over the years, many improvements have been made, but what has not changed is that Fish Bend has helped many thousands of people make memories with their children, grandchildren and great grand children!" said Grant.

For more information about Fishermen's Bend go

to: http://www.blm.gov/or/resources/recreation/site_info.php?siteid=228

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